May 19, 2011

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate H–107 State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 122 – Creation of a State Debt – Qualified Zone Academy Bond.

This bill authorizes the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$15,902,000. The proceeds will be used as grants to the Interagency Committee on School Construction and the Maryland State Department of Education for specified development or improvement purposes and will provide for the disbursement of the loan proceeds and the further grant of funds to eligible school systems for specified purposes which will be subject to a requirement that the grantees document the provision of a required federal matching fund.

House Bill 86, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 122.

Sincerely,

Governor